

## Arizona Department of Health Services Office for Children with Special Health Care Needs Integrated Services Grant



## Young Adult Transition January 25, 2007 Meeting Minutes

**Attendees:** Linda Cannon, Linda Flores, Nicolette Lawrence, Todd Lewis, Jannette Maldondo, Beverly Plonski-Fuqua, Shannon Shiver, Christopher Smith, Damien Smith, Ashleigh Turner, Katie Barclay, Todd Lewis

Via teleconference- George Garcia

MEETING ITEM	SPEAKER	DISCUSSION	ACTION ITEMS
Welcome and	All	Young Adult Transition Committee Members introductions.	
Introductions			
Review and Accept	George Garcia	December 21, 2006 minutes approved	
Minutes			
Last minute agenda item	Todd Lewis	SARRC (Southwest Autism Research and Resource Center) is applying for a grant with the Department of Education for prevocational mentorship training and advocacy in Maricopa County. Developing a friends program that pairs up individuals with Autism adolescents 13-18. They would be working on pre-vocational worksites with the Phoenix Zoo, Phoenix Museum and the Phoenix Art Museum has come on board. Another part of this program would be a theater program. Theatre would provide art and culture and puts on productions centered around peer sensitivity on how to deal with people with Autism, developmental disability or special help care need. Also developing a youth advisory board to help mentor. Todd would like the committee's support and partnership. The committee unanimously agrees they will write a letter of support for SARRC. YAT invites SARRC to provide a booth for the summit. Todd needs the letter by the next coming Monday.	Beverly will get a letter prepared for SARRC's grant proposal.
<b>Summit Planning</b>	George Garcia	Continued brainstorming activity on the Summer 2007	

(Summer 2007)		Summit.	
Food and Possible     Lodging	Beverly Plonski-Fuqua and Katie Barclay	Sodexho, partner with Marriott, will be the supply food for the summit. A continental breakfast and deli lunch and afternoon dessert is within state per diem.  Lodging at the Twin palms is \$74, \$59 although there are only 6 accessible rooms available. Other hotel options, Holiday Inn, Marriot, Twin Palms. The dorms are a possibility, costing \$10 for double occupancy and \$20 for single, note that linens would not be supplied. Advance notice would be needed.  People that need lodging will also need per diem for meals not provided at the Summit.	
Review One Page Informational Sheet All	Beverly Plonski-Fuqua	A few changes: The fourth paragraph will read "A nomination form <i>has been</i> created." The fifth paragraph will read "As we plan and move forward with the summit, we are asking our community partners <i>how</i> they can assist in any of the following ways:" Also check boxes will be added to the <u>How You Can Help</u> items. Add co-sponsors and committee members to the one page informational sheet.	Beverly will update the changes to the one page informational sheet
Review Nomination Form All     Letters to     Invited     Agencies/Or     ganizations     Beverly     Presentations     to 2/13/07     Community     Developmen     t Initiative     and 2/28/07     ISG Task     Force     meetings     Beverly		The nomination form will be given to State Agencies and other groups that work with youth. Applications will need to be returned by mid-April. The youth will be selected and will need invitations by May  The following changes will be made to the Young Adult Summit Nomination Application:  The Integrated Services Grant (ISG) Young Adult Transition Committee is looking for youth (16-25 years of age) who have a special health care need (e.g physical, behavioral, developmental etc.), who likes to working in groups, would like to and are willing to participate in a day of discussion to identify barriers that impact youth transitioning to adulthood, and to work as a team to identify possible solutions. Arrangements for	

	any special accommodations will be coordinated with the youth and their family.  The ISG-Young Adult Transition Committee will be sponsoring a summit on July 28, 2007. Representatives from agencies/organizations and youth from around the state of Arizona will be invited to meet and work together to problem solve how barriers address issues that impact youth as they transition to adulthood ean be removed. A variety of topics will be explored and discussed. We are not expecting immediate changes, but rather, to work together over time to make the changes identified. The recommendations from the summit will be presented to the ISG Task Force in the fall of 2007.  Additional Information  Travel, meals and any pre-arranged overnight accommodations will be paid for. Arrangements for any special accommodations will be coordinated with the youth and their family.	
Agency/Organization Partners Beverly	Beverly was given an estimated cost from the Adult Advocacy group that meets. They average \$4,000 for 10 people for accommodations. We have 15 counties in Arizona supposing we invite one person from each county.  Jamie from the Governors Council for Developmental Disability said she would present the Summit to the Council on March 14th. She will ask if they can sponsor or partially sponsor someone to attend the activity.  Linda Flores will represent DDD on the ISG-YAT committee. DDD has offered possible financial assistance for individuals that would benefit from attended care.  Department of Education volunteered to make copies for Summit.  Possible partnering with Phoenix Mayor's Commission on	<ul> <li>Ashleigh will send Beverly information on attending the Phoenix Mayor's Commission on disability issues meeting</li> <li>Beverly will attend the February 1<sup>st</sup> at 4:00pm to bring awareness regarding the summit on added to the February 21<sup>st</sup> Phoenix Mayor's Commission on disability issues Agenda.</li> <li>George and Beverly will present on February 21<sup>st</sup> at 4:00pm to the Phoenix Mayor's Commission on disability issues</li> </ul>

	Disability Issues. A presentation would need to be made at the subcommittee on February 1 <sup>st</sup> , at 4:00pm to request some time on their upcoming agenda for February 21 <sup>st</sup> to present the Summit.  Perhaps contact the independent living centers and see if they would like to sponsor a youth to attend the Summit.	<ul> <li>Ashleigh will find out more about other commission</li> <li>Contact the independent living centers</li> </ul>
• Next steps	In order to stay connected after the Summit, add an agenda idem during wrap-up discussing "What can I do?"  Make a list of organizations and groups already in each community that can help get youth involved and network. This would be a way to keep in contact and connected with the youth after the summit, and give opportunities to connect with their local area.  Look for permission forms for youth under 18 years of age.	Shannon, Beverly, Katie, and Nicolette will look for permission forms
Next Meeting	Thursday, February 22, 2007 2pm-4pm Arizona Department of Health Services, 150 North 18 <sup>th</sup> Avenue, Room 345A	